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<u>REMARKS</u>

Pending Claims 1-8 were rejected in Paper No. 20031223. By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended in a way that is fully supported by the original claims and specification. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-8 will remain active in this application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding objection(s) and rejection(s) in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

Objections

The Abstract was objected to as being of improper format. Accordingly, Applicants have amended the Abstract to remove the improper language.

The disclosure was objected to based on several informalities. In response, Applicants have amended the disclosure, on page 12 at line 11, to coincide with claims 1 and 2 as suggested by the Examiner. Applicants also have amended the specification in other areas to correct this typographical error.

An objection was made to the drawings because several figures were not listed individually. Accordingly, Replacement Drawings have been submitted herewith that label each of Fig. 3e (renamed as Figs. 3e-3h) and Fig. 4 (renamed as Figs. 4a-4f) individually as suggested by the Examiner. In addition, the Brief Description of the Drawings has been amended to list each of Figures 3a-h, 4a-f, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 individually.

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the outstanding objections in light of these amendments.

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REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as allegedly not enabled. Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection is traversed in light of the amendments to claim 1.

As amended, Claim 1 specifies the crystalline density and the empirical formula of the present invention. Applicants respectfully submit that the asserted § 112 rejection is overcome, and withdrawal of the rejection is requested. Accordingly, as amended claims 1-8 are respectfully submitted to be in condition for allowance.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that this Amendment and the above remarks obviate the outstanding objections and rejections in this case, thereby placing the application in condition for immediate allowance. Allowance of this application is earnestly solicited.

If any fees under 37 C. F. R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are due in connection with this filing, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 02-4300, Order No. 033970R003.

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